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## DRY PEA EXPORTS

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U.S. dry pea exports reached 107,516 metric tons (2.4 million bags) in the marketing year ended July 31, 1964. This total was almost the same as last year's 107,428 tons. It was 88 percent larger, however, than the 1955-59 average export of 57,221 metric tons.

Five countries -- the United Kingdom, Venezuela, Germany, the Netherlands, and Canada, in that order -- took more than 75 percent of the total pea exports. The other 25 percent was distributed among more than 57 other destinations, the largest among which were Trinidad, Italy, and Belgium. Each of the latter took approximately 3,000 tons.

The large exports of 1963-64 included 52,500 tons of green Alaska peas, approximately 27,000<sup>1/</sup> tons of yellow peas, 17,000<sup>1/</sup> tons of lentils, and 10,000 tons of seed peas.

The export of Alaska peas reached a new alltime high record for commercial exports in 1963-64, at 52,500 tons compared with 44,000 tons the year before and 34,000 for the 1955-59 average. The increase was principally the result of greatly increased trade with the United Kingdom which took 13,000 tons more than the average and the European Common Market which took 5,842 tons more than the average. Peru and Japan also took unusually large quantities of Alaska peas.

There was a decline in the export of yellow peas from 34,300 tons in 1962-63 to 27,847 in 1963-64. Indeed, this year's export of yellow peas was the lowest in the past four years. It was, however, 40 percent above the 1955-59 average for yellow peas. Figures for yellow peas are based on unofficial data.<sup>1/</sup>

Yellow pea exports dropped sharply in 1963-64 to Western Europe (non-EEC), and to Japan and Canada. Some of the drop shown for EEC (Western Germany in particular) was in lentils.

<sup>1/</sup> See footnote bottom of the table for yellow peas, white peas and lentils.

Table 1.--ALL DRY PEAS EXCEPT COWPEAS AND CHICKPEAS: U.S. exports by destination, 1955-59 average, 1960-61 to 1963-64 marketing years (August-July)

Destination	Average 1955-59	Marketing Years			
		1960-61	1961-62	1962-63	1963-64
Metric tons					
North America:					
Caribbean					
Bahamas	15	35	24	11	10
Barbados	63	76	173	310	14
Bermuda	22	8	226	7	--
Cuba	3,795	702	--	--	--
Dominican Republic	47	9	35	84	181
French West Indies	--	--	--	--	4
Jamaica	29	108	86	30	49
Leeward and Windward Islands	10	31	34	25	33
Netherlands Antilles	63	79	32	19	55
Trinidad and Tobago	1,739	4,279	3,516	2,522	3,236
Others	8	16	3	12	3
Total	5,791	5,343	4,129	3,020	3,712
Central America					
British Honduras	27	34	27	21	29
Canal Zone	30	21	31	15	--
Costa Rica	6	10	3	13	35
Guatemala	2	--	--	17	23
Honduras	3	2	10	10	3
Nicaragua	--	--	11	--	6
Panama	503	1,026	558	923	866
Others	14	0	0	1	5
Total	585	1,093	640	1,000	967
Canada	3,250	5,154	5,754	6,943	6,366
Mexico	255	368	252	497	403
Total North America	9,881	11,958	10,775	11,460	11,448
South America:					
Argentina	26	68	5	7	147
Brazil	2,066	3,513	1,867	709	948
British Guiana	122	143	61	29	18
Chile	27	13	1	13	2
Colombia	341	31	2,022	4	2,971
Ecuador	--	--	--	--	14
French Guiana	--	--	--	3	25
Peru	509	460	941	1,518	2,212
Surinam	523	730	765	650	822
Uruguay	111	36	108	92	215
Venezuela	10,064	12,740	11,749	13,092	16,229
Others	--	--	12	--	--
Total	13,789	17,734	17,531	16,117	23,603
Europe:					
EEC					
Belgium-Luxembourg	1,170	1,269	1,676	1,458	3,159
France	80	42	173	451	2,196
Germany, West	4,166	7,377	10,339	16,053	11,245
Italy	445	546	275	1,712	3,524
Netherlands	2,059	4,544	5,968	8,063	6,760
Total EEC	7,920	13,778	18,431	27,737	26,884



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Destination	Average 1955-59	Marketing Years			
		1960-61	1961-62	1962-63	1963-64
Metric tons					
Europe (Continued):					
Austria .....	--	55	20	105	7
Denmark .....	67	851	107	1,133	832
Finland .....	--	--	--	21	525
Greece .....	--	--	--	16	4
Hungary .....	--	--	--	--	2
Iceland .....	164	208	261	239	243
Ireland .....	183	50	20	--	51
Malta .....	4	--	15	--	--
Norway .....	387	1,389	1,392	2,512	1,744
Spain .....	--	--	--	16	72
Sweden .....	681	2,471	1,004	3,330	1,928
Switzerland .....	893	1,725	727	1,657	1,402
United Kingdom .....	22,435	31,575	38,344	38,244	35,421
Others .....	1	11	--	13	--
Total .....	32,735	52,113	60,321	75,023	69,115
Asia:					
Bahrein .....	--	--	--	--	3
Hong Kong .....	204	211	399	480	243
Iran .....	4	18	--	--	--
Israel .....	145	66	35	115	104
Japan .....	19	43	710	3,453	1,946
Kuwait .....	19	64	22	51	61
Malaysia .....	--	--	2	18	--
Nansei and Nanpo Islands .....	39	70	79	120	91
Philippines Republic .....	229	264	381	357	356
Saudi Arabia .....	14	32	42	31	77
Syria .....	--	--	--	--	14
Others .....	1	9	24	17	7
Total .....	674	777	1,694	4,642	2,902
Other countries:					
Australia .....	20	20	--	79	345
Congo, Republic of .....	--	4	--	4	6
Egypt .....	4	10	3	7	5
French Pacific Islands .....	25	19	37	35	49
Liberia .....	5	14	54	11	5
Libya .....	--	--	--	--	13
New Zealand .....	33	12	28	31	26
South Africa, Republic of .....	21	10	--	--	--
Others .....	34	48	30	19	--
Total .....	142	137	152	186	449
Grand total .....	57,221	82,719	90,473	107,428	107,516

Table 2.--PEAS, DRY ALASKA AND OTHER SMOOTH GREEN KINDS: U.S. exports by destination, 1955-59 average, 1960-61 to 1963-64 marketing years (August-July)

Destination	Marketing Years				
	Average	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63	1963-64
	1955-59	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63	1963-64
Metric tons					
North America:					
Caribbean					
Bahamas .....	1	4	9	3	3
Barbados .....	5	--	9	5	--
Bermuda .....	5	8	22	6	--
Cuba .....	3,395	477	--	--	--
Dominican Republic .....	38	--	23	71	149
Jamaica .....	3	8	23	1	5
Leeward and Windward Islands .....	2	9	30	12	14
Netherlands Antilles .....	18	5	13	10	16
Trinidad and Tobago .....	160	60	13	11	36
Others .....	--	1	--	4	2
Total .....	3,627	572	142	123	225
Central America					
Canal Zone .....	12	5	8	--	--
Costa Rica .....	5	4	1	3	10
Panama .....	21	56	73	32	20
Others .....	2	4	1	7	4
Total .....	40	69	83	42	34
Canada .....	302	531	620	499	564
Mexico .....	82	108	70	179	108
Total North America .....	4,051	1,280	915	843	931
South America:					
Argentina .....	3	54	--	--	--
Brazil .....	1,772	3,138	1,605	502	700
Chile .....	22	9	--	--	--
Colombia .....	140	--	--	2	39
Ecuador .....	--	--	--	--	14
Peru .....	457	435	926	986	1,842
Surinam .....	34	5	109	142	71
Uruguay .....	--	--	--	--	30
Venezuela .....	2,737	3,515	2,727	2,893	3,521
Others .....	4	--	--	--	--
Total .....	5,169	7,156	5,367	4,525	6,217
Europe:					
EEC					
Belgium-Luxembourg .....	1,004	1,050	1,396	1,096	2,552
France .....	8	--	15	143	2,012
Germany, West .....	1,118	194	600	51	484
Italy .....	103	345	151	1,288	2,917
Netherlands .....	605	100	701	27	715
Total EEC .....	2,838	1,689	2,863	2,605	8,680
Denmark .....	--	--	--	50	--
Finland .....	--	--	--	20	495
Iceland .....	85	100	159	140	148
Ireland .....	174	--	20	--	--
Malta .....	4	--	15	--	--
Norway .....	159	120	180	445	514
Spain .....	--	--	--	--	9
Sweden .....	72	--	--	5	20
Switzerland .....	348	210	159	310	30
United Kingdom .....	20,279	26,854	34,702	32,955	33,056
Total .....	23,959	28,973	38,098	36,530	42,952
Asia:					
Hong Kong .....	192	200	362	443	228
Iran .....	4	18	--	--	--
Israel .....	38	3	--	50	--
Japan .....	3	36	--	1,266	1,597
Kuwait .....	--	--	2	--	6
Malaysia .....	--	--	2	18	--
Nansei and Nanpo Islands .....	34	70	79	120	86
Philippines Republic .....	114	134	223	308	254
Saudi Arabia .....	1	3	21	6	9
Others .....	--	--	10	4	--
Total .....	386	464	699	2,215	2,180
Other countries:					
Australia .....	20	20	--	--	246
French Pacific Islands .....	6	5	5	5	5
Liberia .....	1	7	47	--	--
New Zealand .....	--	--	--	5	--
South Africa, Republic of .....	32	10	--	--	--
Others .....	5	3	5	1	--
Total .....	64	45	57	11	251
Grand total .....	33,629	37,918	45,136	44,124	52,531



Table 3.--PEAS, DRY, YELLOW AND WHITE AND LENTILS 1/: U.S. exports by destination, 1955-59 average, 1960-61 to 1963-64 marketing years (August-July)

Destination	Marketing Years				
	Average	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63	1963-64
	1955-59	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63	1963-64
Metric tons					
North America:					
Caribbean					
Bahamas .....	14	31	15	8	7
Barbados .....	58	76	164	305	141
Bermuda .....	17	--	204	1	--
Cuba .....	400	225	--	--	--
Dominican Republic .....	9	9	12	13	31
French West Indies .....	--	--	--	--	4
Jamaica .....	26	100	63	29	44
Leeward and Windward Islands .....	8	22	4	13	19
Netherlands Antilles .....	45	74	19	9	39
Trinidad and Tobago .....	1,579	4,219	3,503	2,511	3,200
Others .....	2	--	1	--	--
Total .....	2,158	4,756	3,985	2,839	3,485
Central America					
British Honduras .....	27	34	27	21	29
Canal Zone .....	18	16	23	15	--
Costa Rica .....	1	6	2	10	14
Honduras .....	3	2	10	10	3
Nicaragua .....	--	--	11	--	6
Panama .....	482	970	485	891	846
Others .....	12	3	--	--	1
Total .....	543	1,031	558	947	899
Canada .....	1,226	1,463	1,042	1,735	747
Mexico .....	93	203	140	248	200
Total North America .....	4,020	7,453	5,725	5,819	5,331
South America:					
Brazil .....	153	277	190	50	--
British Guiana .....	115	134	61	29	18
Colombia .....	198	23	1,995	2	2,901
French Guiana .....	--	--	--	3	25
Peru .....	51	23	9	522	365
Surinam .....	473	725	656	508	751
Venezuela .....	7,314	9,225	9,017	10,199	12,696
Others .....	10	--	12	--	--
Total .....	8,314	10,407	11,940	11,313	16,756
Europe:					
EEC					
Belgium-Luxembourg .....	117	196	137	253	558
France .....	2	33	107	249	56
Germany, West .....	2,943	6,952	8,891	15,402	10,681
Italy .....	272	50	--	289	150
Netherlands .....	1,396	4,182	5,000	7,873	5,895
Total EEC .....	4,730	11,413	14,135	24,066	17,340
Austria .....	--	55	20	105	--
Denmark .....	40	700	50	995	687
Finland .....	--	--	--	--	25
Iceland .....	79	108	102	99	95
Ireland .....	9	50	--	--	--
Norway .....	223	1,255	1,212	2,063	1,228
Spain .....	--	--	--	16	58
Sweden .....	278	1,483	369	2,841	1,339
Switzerland .....	372	1,412	518	1,143	1,113
United Kingdom .....	1,353	3,318	2,542	3,149	633
Total .....	7,084	19,794	18,948	34,477	22,518
Asia:					
Bahrein .....	--	--	--	--	3
Hong Kong .....	10	10	35	37	15
Israel .....	38	63	--	--	--
Japan .....	14	--	700	1,687	303
Kuwait .....	19	64	20	51	55
Masei and Nanpo Islands .....	5	--	--	--	--
Philippines Republic .....	109	129	157	49	54
Saudi Arabia .....	13	29	21	25	68
Others .....	1	4	10	--	1
Total .....	209	299	943	1,849	499
Other countries:					
Australia .....	--	--	--	72	93
Congo, Republic of .....	--	4	--	4	6
Egypt .....	4	10	3	7	5
French Pacific Islands .....	19	14	32	30	44
Liberia .....	4	7	7	11	5
Libya .....	--	--	--	--	13
Others .....	2	13	--	10	--
Total .....	29	48	42	134	166
Grand total .....	19,656	38,001	37,598	53,592	45,270
Lentils 1/ .....	N.A.	7,906	8,088	19,282	17,423
Total yellow and white peas .....	N.A.	30,095	29,510	34,310	27,847

1/ Lentil export data are available only for Pacific Northwest ports and are provided by the Pacific Northwest Pea Growers and Dealers Association of Spokane, Washington. In the official U.S. trade reports, lentil exports are combined with yellow and white peas. Since the bulk of lentils is shipped through Northwest ports and the bulk of the peas exported is yellow, a reasonably accurate record of yellow pea exports can be derived by deducting the Northwest lentils from the national totals of peas and lentils.

Table 4.--SEED PEAS: U.S. exports by destination, 1955-59 average, 1960-61 to 1963-64 marketing years (August-July)

Destination	Average	Marketing Years			
	1955-59	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63	1963-64
	Metric tons				
North America:					
Canada .....	1,722	3,160	4,092	4,709	5,055
Costa Rica .....	--	--	--	--	11
Guatemala .....	2	--	--	17	23
Mexico .....	80	57	42	70	95
Others .....	6	8	1	2	2
Total .....	1,810	3,225	4,135	4,798	5,186
South America:					
Argentina .....	23	14	5	7	147
Brazil .....	141	98	72	157	248
Chile .....	--	4	1	13	2
Colombia .....	3	8	27	--	31
Peru .....	1	2	6	10	5
Uruguay .....	106	36	108	92	185
Venezuela .....	13	--	5	--	12
Others .....	19	9	--	--	--
Total .....	306	171	224	279	630
Europe:					
EEC					
Belgium .....	49	23	143	109	49
France .....	70	9	51	59	128
Germany, West .....	105	231	848	600	80
Italy .....	70	151	124	135	457
Netherlands .....	58	262	267	163	150
Total EEC .....	352	676	1,433	1,066	864
Austria .....	--	--	--	--	7
Denmark .....	27	151	57	88	145
Finland .....	--	--	--	1	5
Greece .....	--	--	--	16	4
Hungary .....	--	--	--	--	2
Ireland .....	1	2	--	10	51
Norway .....	5	14	--	4	2
Spain .....	--	9	--	--	5
Sweden .....	331	988	635	484	569
Switzerland .....	173	103	50	204	259
United Kingdom .....	803	1,403	1,100	2,140	1,732
Others .....	--	--	--	3	--
Total .....	1,692	3,346	3,275	4,016	3,645
Asia:					
Hong Kong .....	2	1	2	--	--
Israel .....	69	--	35	65	104
Japan .....	2	7	10	500	46
Nansei and Nanpo Islands .....	--	--	--	--	5
Philippines Republic .....	6	1	1	--	48
Syria .....	--	--	--	--	14
Others .....	--	5	3	13	6
Total .....	79	14	51	578	223
Other countries:					
Australia .....	--	--	--	7	6
New Zealand .....	33	12	28	26	26
Others .....	16	32	26	8	--
Total .....	49	44	54	41	32
Grand total					
Grand total .....	3,936	6,800	7,739	9,712	9,716





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